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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH ROBERT GOLDMAN ON PROPOSED HUMAN RIGHTS VISIT
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1. ALL OFFICIALS ZIMMERMAN, LISTA, AND CARRIGAN MET WITH ROBERT GOLDMAN ON DECEMBER 5. IN A FRANK AND CANDID CONVERSATION THE RESERVATIONS EXPRESSED IN THE REFTEL CON-
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CERNING THE PROPOSED VISIT WERE DISCUSSED. GOLDMAN, IN TURN, PROVIDED A FULL DESCRIPTION OF HIS UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE MISSION AND ARRANGEMENTS AND ITS ASSOCIATION WITH IT. GOLDMAN EXPRESSED HIS FULL COOPERATION AND SAID HE WOULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH AN INVITATION WHICH COULD IN ANY WAY BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO OUR JOINT EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE HUMAN RIGHTS POLICIES OF THE GOU.

2. AS BACKGROUND GOLDMAN STATED THAT THE MAJOR IMPETUS FOR THIS MISSION IS COMING FROM THREE SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS - INTERCAMBIONAL MOVEMENT OF JURISTS, MOVIMIENTO INTERNACIONAL DE JURISTAS (ARGENTINA), AND FEDERACION INTERNACIONAL DE DERECHOS DEL HOMBRE. REPRESENTATIVES OF THESE GROUPS CAME TO WASHINGTON AND MET WITH NOT ONLY THEIR PRECEDING VISIT ADVISED OF AN "UNDERSTANDING" BETWEEN POLITICAL OFFICER POOLEY AND JUAN PIFFERIS, BOARD ONE DURING POOLEY'S WASHINGTON CONSULTATIONS NOVEMBER 7-8, THAT THE EMBASSY WOULD ASSIST IN FACILITATING SUCH A HUMAN RIGHTS VISIT TO URUGUAY.

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E. MR. SOLARZ STATED FURTHER THAT HE TWICE RAISED
WITH AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VISIT WITH
U.S. ACTION. HE RECONSIDERED WHEN ADVISED BY MEDIA OF
THE CONTENT OF TALKS BEFORE, PERSISTENTLY GREETED AND
SEEMED TO BRING HIS INTIMATION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS
TO VISIT. TALKS WAS SATISFIED AND ACKNOWLEDGED. SOLARZ
STATED, HOWEVER, THAT HE HAD TWO CONDITIONS FOR HIS PARTI-
CIPATION - ONE THE USE OF UNOFFICIAL AID AGENCY ON THE
VISIT, AND THAT HIS ASSOCIATION WITH IT WOULD BE USED AS THE
CONTRADICTION WHICH IMPAIRED THE VENEZUELAN HUMAN RIGHTS
RECORD. HE INVITED DEAN FROM HIS MISSION.

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E. SOLARZ EXPRESSED SURPRISE AND REGRET THAT THE
EMBASSY IN CARACAS WERE NOT AWARE OF THE
AUTOMATIC VISA. AS IF HE HAD A VENEZUELAN VISA,
SOLARZ STATED THAT JUAN ESPINOZA HAD ASSURED HIM A
VISA WAS NOT REQUIRED. WHEN DEAN EXPRESSED HIS CERTAIN
KNOWLEDGE OF THE VISA, HE REPLIED THAT
HE HAD BEEN ASSURED BY THE VENEZUELAN EMBASSY
IN WASHINGTON. DEAN AND PROFESSIONAL PERSONS BOTHER SOLARZ,
HOWEVER, THE VENEZUELAN CONFIDENTIALLY WAS AWARE OF HIS
VISIT, STATED THAT YOU BE AUTHORIZED TO INSULT
DIRECTLY WITH APPROPRIATE GOV OFFICIALS TO ASSESSMENT
AND SETUP DETAILS.

E. SOLARZ ALSO STATED CLEARLY THAT HE DOES NOT
AGREE WITH VIEWS IN PRINCIPAL, BUT FELT IT WAS HIS
RESPONSIBILITY TO SEE FOR HIMSELF. IT
WAS HIS INTENTION TO BE OBJECTIVE AS HE EXPRESSED THEM. IT
WOULD APPEAR THAT SOLARZ HAS MADE UP HIS MIND TO
[illegible] IN VENEZUELA. HE DID NOT INITIALLY SEE
[illegible] MISSION. HE ALSO DID STATE THAT IT WAS
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[illegible] FROM THE INITIATIVE OF THE
[illegible], IT IS NOT BEING REQUIRED AS BE HAD
[illegible] PUBLICITY. AS MENTIONED IN PARA 2 ABOVE,
[illegible] CONTACTED BY EMBASSY TO DISCUSS HIS PROJECT
[illegible] INCLUDED IN. WHO ALSO ADVISED TO MAKE HIS
VISIT PUBLIC BY [illegible] THEY, SHOULD SEE
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